

Non-Equilibrium Asymmetric Thermoelectrics (NEAT)



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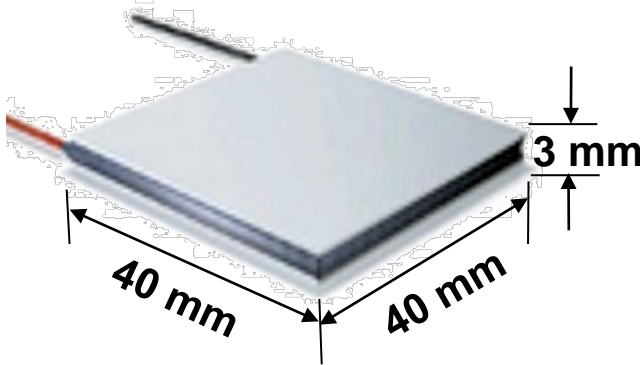
ARPA-E Building Cooling Project Spotlights

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Traditional Thermoelectrics

Merits

- Solid-State technology
- No moving parts
- Green, no GHGs
- Light
- Silent



Drawbacks

- Material properties ($ZT < 1$) limit efficiency of coolers
- System designs are archaic
- High \$/W for cooling power
- Scale mismatch and high heat flux limit thin film TECs to microscopic applications

Practical applications will require Sheetak's efficient and low-cost thermoelectrics

Refrigerator for the Bottom Billions

**Harvard
Business
Review**

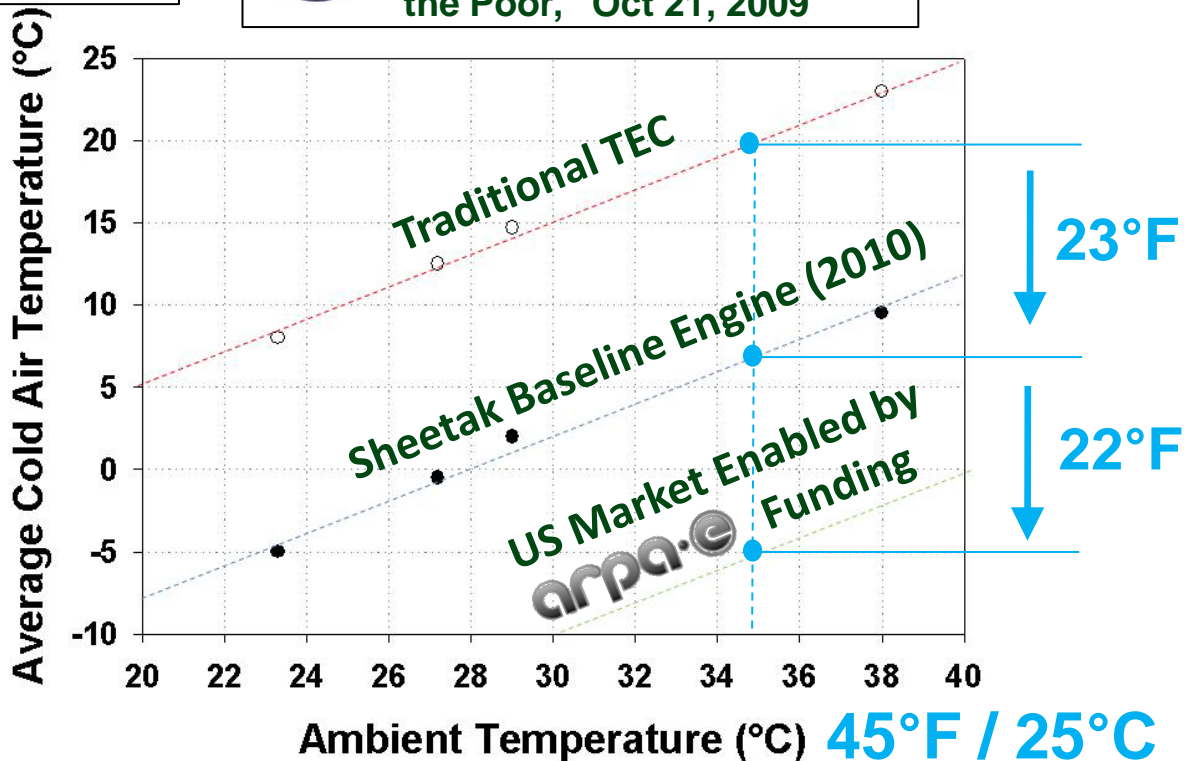
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“Indian Firms Shift Focus to
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DESIGNED &
ENGINEERED
IN THE USA



**Sheetak's engines enable India's lowest
cost refrigerator**



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Core Technologies

NOVEL HEAT CIRCUITS

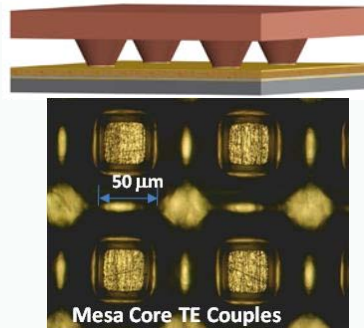
Heat Diodes,
Transformers,
Capacitors



commercialized

HiE THERMOELECTRICS

Nanostructured,
Low Cost TEC
 $ZT \sim 2$



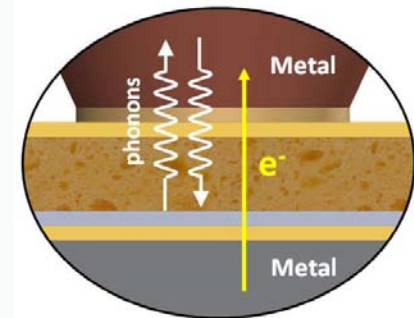
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NEAT

Non-Equilibrium TE,
Phonon Blocking
 $ZT \sim 4$



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2012

Cooling engines incorporating core technologies
enable efficient solid-state refrigeration

Refrigeration and Air-Conditioning



**2010 System
Technology**



**2011 HiE
Systems**

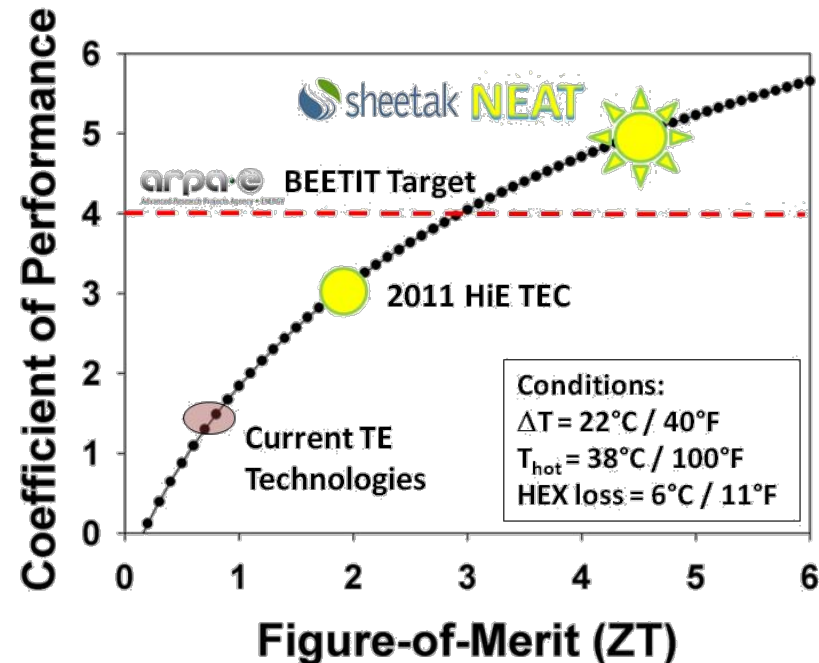
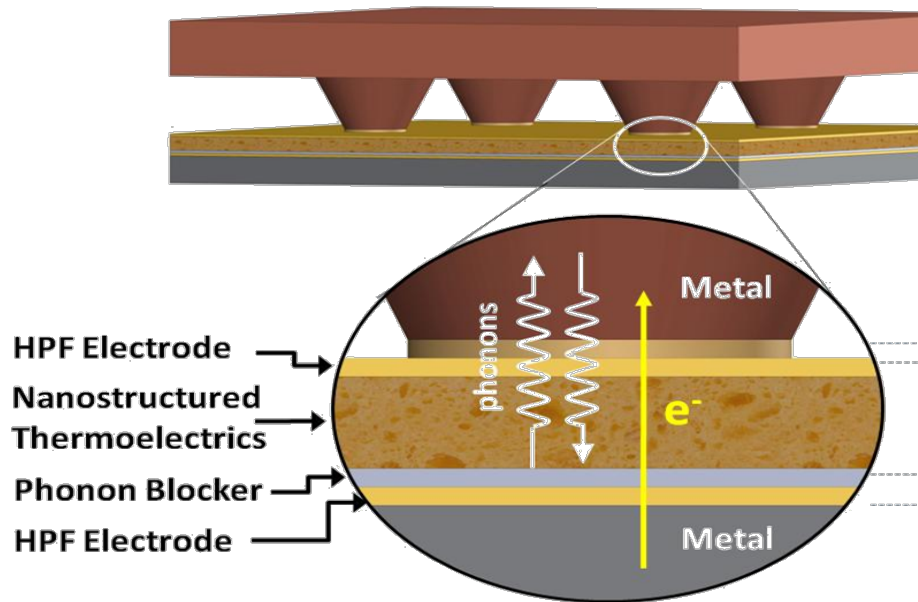


**2012 NEAT
Systems**

**NEAT devices will make Sheetak technologies
competitive in global air-conditioning markets**

High-Efficiency Solid-State Electronic Cooling

- Novel electrodes to reduce interface losses
- Non-equilibrium effects decouple electron and phonon systems
- Atomically-thin phonon-blocking (PB), electron tunneling junctions



- ~50% cost savings on the AC hardware
- No polluting greenhouse HFC or CHFC gases
- Lower weight and volume